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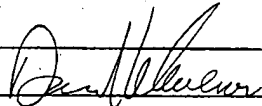
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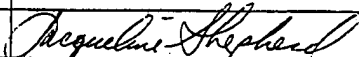
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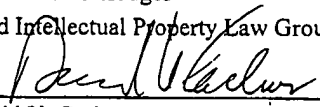
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 6, 2002, applicant hereby elects Group II, drawn to a method, for examination at this time. These constitute claims 14-25.

Page 1 of the Office Action noted that claims 11 and 14-25 were pending in application (as noted under section 4). The page 1 also indicated the claims 11, 14-25 subject to a restriction requirement (see section 8). On page 2, in the body of the restriction requirement the examiner noted that claims 1-10 and 12-13 were cancelled. Then the examiner noted that newly added claims 43-45 should instead have been numbered 21, 25, after which the examiner noted that the pending claims were 11, 12-20 and 21-25.

It is believed that a typographical error occurred in this instance since the examiner previously noted that claims 12-13 were cancelled and indicated on page 1 that only claim 14-25 were pending. Accordingly, it is believed that the examiner intended to indicate claims 14-25 drawn to the method were in Group II because claims 12 and 13 have previously been cancelled. For this reason, applicant hereby elects claims 14-25, and confirms that claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled.

✓ In view of the above election, applicant hereby cancels claim 11 without prejudice
filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of
elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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